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MEMORANDUM FOR: The Honorable Edwin Meese, III
Counsellor to the President
The White House

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Third, there are questions and answers regarding the proposed changes. The first one, dealing with how the new Executive Order can improve the performance of the Intelligence Community, is especially to the point.

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